

KARO-ECHO Board Meeting

8/09/23

via Zoom

Attendees:

Howdy Goudey	KE6BEE
Annette McCoubry	KJ6SWK
Tom Fattaruso	KN6BUY
Blake Yeaman	KN6CMP
Don Simon	NI6A

Board discussion items:

New membership manager, Rhys AK6BA

Completing new join form transition

Opt-in public roster follow-up

Migration of gdrive file ownership

Schedule Fall SET

Follow-up with Fire Dept SOG

Follow-up with patch box installs

Albany Bulb POTA experience

Plan for future meetings

August: Mike N6JGA, ARRL section manager

Sept: Richard Dillman KPH/MRHS

Other ideas and main meeting agenda items?

Topics discussed:

Membership manager

- Rhys AK6BA volunteered to be membership manager for a trial period, to follow up and contact people who submitted the join form or signed in at an event.
- If additional members will volunteer to be on a membership committee it would be less of a workload for one person.
- Rhys was offered membership on the board but has not decided yet.

Elmering/mentoring

- The workload for elmering and mentoring could be spread among several members if we have more members who can volunteer.

- We can ask for volunteers at the membership meeting and in the newsletter.

Website administrator

- Rob K6RJM is currently the only website administrator. It would be better to have more than one person with the ability and permission to do this but it is difficult to change.
- The subject has been brought up before but no solution has been found yet.

Join form

- A draft of a new simplified join form is available.

Contact information sharing

- The process of asking members if they are willing to opt-in to share their contact information with other members needs to be followed up on.
- The details of specifically how the contact information will be shared has not been clarified yet.

Google Drive documents

- Ownership of the documents on Google Drive is unclear.
- There has been an ongoing discussion about it for a long time with no resolution yet.

Fall SET

- The prospective date for the fall SET is Oct. 14 unless there are any major conflicts.

POTA

- The club's first POTA participation was on Aug. 5 at the Albany Bulb.
- Some contacts were made but a solar flare closed the HF bands for an hour or so.
- About 25 contacts were made over 2 days as defined by UTC.

Board meeting open for observation?

- Should we make board meetings open for observation by members? Observing members would be able to listen but not contribute.
- The question can be brought up at the membership meeting.